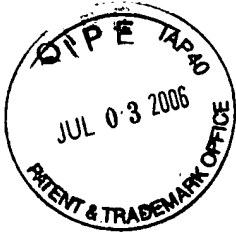


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Transmitted herewith is a **Reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116** in the above-captioned application.

\_\_\_\_\_ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

\_\_\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

\_\_\_\_\_ A Request for Extension of Time.

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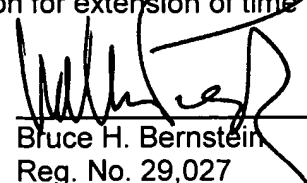
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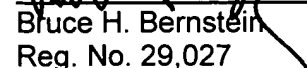
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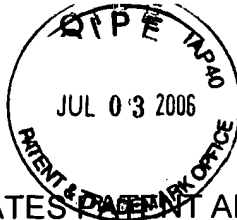
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of May 4, 2006, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on August 4, 2006, with the present Reply being filed by the two-month due date of July 5, 2006 (July 4, 2006 being a federal holiday). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Final Office Action in view of the herein-contained remarks.

**Complete Listing of Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.